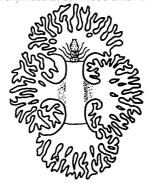
การประชุมนานาชาติครั้งที่๙ เรื่องแมลงหนอนปลอกน้ำ เชียงใหม่ ๒๕๔๑



9th International Symposium on Trichoptera Chiang Mai 1998

SECOND CIRCULAR

Dear Trichopterologist,

We are pleased to inform you that arrangements for the 9th Symposium are well under way. We have explored und timed the possible roads and trails for the excursions, and collected many ideas for the programme for accompanying persons, and of course we have made our financial calculations. It looks well.

We have now decided to hold the Symposium in rooms of the HOLIDAY GARDEN HOTEL*, one of the First (not Luxury) Class hotels which is situated away from noisy roads, and consists of a tower and a garden part, to leave a selection of accommodation according to individual tastes.

We have the impression that our package offer appeared too cheap! Several colleagues thought that the 400 \$ was only the conference fee, and have asked for the price of accommodation. To make it clear once more: the package for 400 \$ includes the congress fee, accommodation from 4 to 11 January, breakfast, coffee and tea breaks and lunch, transport, excursions, ladies programme, and the Proceedings. Extra days of stay, dinners, entrance fees, tips and the like are not included.

Those who have sent their application forms have got or will get in the next days a written confirmation from H.M. If you don't get this confirmation until about the end of June, please write immediately to H.M. (address in Austria). One can never exclude the possibility that a letter has been lost. Those who have applied will get a third circular individually about October-November, with final detailed information.

Most participants did not yet give the exact date of arrival and departure; please inform us soon so that reservations can be made in time.

^{*} Do not confuse with the Holiday Inn Hotel!

Some colleagues have told us that they are willing to participate, but have not yet sent an application. It can be sent now or later, but if it arrives too late, there may be problems with reservations and the programme. The forms are in BRAUERIA 23; if you need more, H.M. (address in Austria) will be pleased to send you them.

The programme of lectures and events during the week is not yet finalized, but two days will be kept for excursions to Doi Inthanon and Doi Suthep, with visits to our favorite streams whose fauna is now relatively well known. The weather will be fine.

Please do not expect tropical temperatures at this time of the year, and take with you enough warm clothes! Throughout January this year the daily temperature in Chiangmai was never above 24°C; in the nights it dropped to 16°C, and when doing light-catches in the mountains it was only 10°C in the night. Of course, if you were coming in April, you could expect 40°C and more!

Some colleagues have asked about a longer post-symposium excursion. But, since this request was quite vague, we have done nothing about it. Such an excursion may be organized easily during the Symposium. There are many professional organizers of field trips in Chiangmai, and it would be enough if interested people would discuss it at the beginning of the Symposium. Timing of return flights is however necessary.

From the announced lectures and posters, we can expect the scientific programme to be interesting and to cover a wide range of interests within Trichoptera, as it is usual in our Symposia. The largest national group of participants will come from Japan, and some lectures will cover other aspects of South East Asia too, so this Symposium promises to be an important step towards a better knowledge of the caddisflies of this part of the world, and may encourage the native workers here.

Looking forward to seeing you soon in Chiangmai,

Sincerely yours,

Porntip Chantaramongkol.